

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Cary Brooks on 1/11/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 22 is cancelled, since the subject matter was incorporated into claim 15.

Claim 43, line 8 is amended to read "to control communication between the pressure valve inlet and the flow valve inlet within the bore of the valve body". This amendment was made to include the subject matter that the examiner felt overcame the prior art of record and therefore put the claim into condition for allowance.

Claim 46, line 6 is amended to read "a pressure valve inlet communicable with the flow valve inlet in the bore of the". This amendment was made to include the subject matter that the examiner felt overcame the prior art of record and therefore put the claim into condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 15-21, 23, 24, and 28-56 are allowed.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CRAIG M. SCHNEIDER whose telephone number is (571)272-3607. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00 -4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robin Evans can be reached on (571) 272-4777. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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